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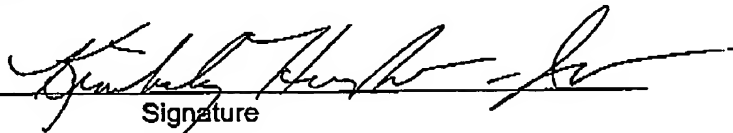
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:

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This is in response to the Office Action dated 8 July 2005, setting a shortened statutory period for response that does not expire until 10 October 2005.

Restriction Requirement

A restriction requirement has been entered in the aforementioned Office Action and, confirming the telephonic election, the Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of the Group 1 claims (claims 1-8) without traverse.

Notwithstanding, the Applicants would request a search and examination of both the Group 1 and Group 2 claims (claims 9-18) in this application because the Applicants submit that such search and examination can be made without serious burden to the Examiner. M.P.E.P. 803. Specifically, the Applicants would note that, even though the Groups 1 and 2 claims may have a separate classification for search purposes, historically these types of claims (inks or ink sets, and specific methods of use) have been searched and examined in the same application. The Applicants can, if required by the Examiner, provide numerous examples of granted patents in which both types of claims are included.

In addition, the Applicants would note that, with the election of the Group 1 claims, the Examiner will be searching numerous fields of printing, at least commensurate with (if not